Vocational Training Projects

2474. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that funds from donor agencies are arranged for formulating Vocational Training Projects in various States/Union Territories;

(b) if so, the details there of alongwith the funds allocated under the scheme during the last three years, State-wise and year-wise;

(c) whether Government of Karnataka has sent a proposal for formulating Vocational Training Project Phase-ll; and

- (d) if so, the details in this regard and the present status of the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI SIS RAM OLA): (a) Yes, Sir. Funds were arranged from the World Bank for a Vocational Training Project for various States/Union Territories.

(b) No funds have been allocated under the scheme during the last three years as the project concluded in December, 1998.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The proposal for the State of Karnataka includes 'development of existing Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs)'; 'setting up of Instructor Training Wings and wings for disabled persons in the NTs' etc.

Consolidated project proposal for States/UTs including Karnataka was sent to the Department of Economic Affairs (DEA) after the in-principle approval of the Planning Commission.

Educated unemployed youths

2475. SHRI URKHAO GWRA BRAHMA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of educated unemployed youths in the country registered with the employment exchanges as on date;

(b) State-wise break-up of the number of educated unemployed youth; and